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SUBJECT: FUTURE AVAILABILITY UNLEADED GASOLINE

1. EPA OFFICIAL AND EMBOFF MET WITH PEMEX REPRESENTATIVE
ING. HECTOR LARA SOZA TO REVIEW FUTURE AVAILABILITY OF
UNLEADED GASOLINE IN MEXICO. PEMEX PRESENTED DETAILS
OF PLANS TO PROVIDE UNLEADED GASOLINE MEETING EPA
STANDARDS TO 90 PERCENT OF MEXICO'S 2,650 STATIONS BY
OCTOBER 1, 1974. REFINERY STORAGE AND DELIVERY OPERATIONS
WILL BEGIN IN NEAR FUTURE. CURRENT PRODUCT RUNS OF
UNLEADED GASOLINE MEASURES 0.02 GRAMS/GALLON.

2. PEMEX WILL SUPPLY 92 OCTANE UNLEADED GASOLINE IN
LIEU OF 94 OCTANE LEADED GASOLINE. ONLY OTHER GASOLINE
AVAILABLE WILL BE 81 OCTANE GASOLINE CONTAINING LEAD.
PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF THIS CHANGE EXPECTED IN EARLY
AUGUST.

3. ING. LARA AGREED TO PROVIDE EPA SAMPLES OF DIS-
TINCTIVE STATION/PUMP MARKINGS SHOWING AVAILABILITY OF
UNLEADED GASOLINE. PEMEX HAD ORDERED OVER 2,500 SPECIAL
NOZZLES AND FILTERS SUITABLE FOR USE OF '75 MODELS.
FIRST SHIPMENT OF 500 EXPECTED IN AUGUST.

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4. PEMEX WILL MONITOR SPECIFICATIONS OF UNLEADED FUEL AS PART OF ROUTINE QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM USING MOBILE LAB.

5. IT APPEARS PEMEX HAS RESPONDED TO U.S. REQUEST. POSSIBLE THAT OCTOBER 1 TARGET DATE MAY SLIP, HOWEVER, AMPLE SUPPLY OF UNLEADED GASOLINE SHOULD BE AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT MEXICO TO MEET U.S. TOURIST NEEDS. JOVA

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